Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* They have to die in that grade.

Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon *(Kattur):* Was there not a committee report stating that after 20 years these servants should be automatically promoted to the grade of Rs. 40—60.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* I am stating that the rule still holds good that after 20 years of approved service they can be promoted to higher grades if proper vacancies occur. But there was no committee report that vacancies shall occur. *(Laughter).*

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* It is only a question of giving a grade. We also understand the trick. Suppose there are 16 posts carrying a salary of Rs. 40—60, you may increase the number now to 20 or 24. That is what we mean.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* The question of increasing the number of posts in the higher grade does not arise out of this.

RED TAPISM—ACTION REGARDING

115. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they noted an article under the caption "Red Tapism in Excelsis" by one "A. P." on page 4 of the *Cochin Argus* dated 1st November 1941;

(*b*) whether Government have taken any steps to nullify the sort of so-called "Red Tapism" if any in the administration?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No. Government did not think it necessary to take any action in the matter.

POPULATION OF COMMUNITIES—TALUK-WAR STATEMENT

116. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

the taluk-war population of the following communities—

(*i*) Nayars;

(*ii*) Ezhuvas;

(*iii*) Romo-Syrians;

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